GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

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DIVERSIFICATION OF HANDLOOM SECTOR
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) When the Government of Tamil Nadu have submitted a proposal for product diversification in the handloom sector to protect the handloom weavers; and

(b) if so, the reaction of the Union Government thereto and the steps taken for early approval of the proposal in the larger interest of handloom weavers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR TEXTILES (SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR)

(a) & (b) The Government of Tamil Nadu had submitted 2 proposals each in the year 1997-98 & 1998-99 and 1 proposal in the year 2000-01 under the `Development of Exportable Products and their Marketing scheme` for development, diversification and marketing of exportable varieties of handloom products. The Government of India has sanctioned all the 5 proposals and released a sum of Rs.53.13 lakh so far, out of the total Central share of Rs.102.90 lakh.